to Questions

Statement-II

Details of Achievements under the World Bank/ USAID assisted project

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State		Item	Αc	hievements
	I.	CONSTRUCTION :		
Assam		Sub Centres	:	80
		Staff Qrs	:	30
		Upgradation of existing State	:	5
		Dispensaries to PHCs Upgradation of PHC/ CHC/Hosp. as FRUs	:	3
	11.	TRAINING: Medical & Para-medical Functionaries.	:	1532
	I.	CONSTRUCTION:		
Andhra		Sub Centres	:	599
Pradesh (IPP-VI)		Training Institutes	:	26
	II.	TRAINING:	:	50565
Hyderabad (IPP-VIII)	I.	CONSTRUCTION: Renovation of Urban F.W. Centres into D Type Health Posts	:	5
		Const. of new D type Health Posts	:	3
		Upgradation of Maternity Centres (30 beds)	:	2 in Progress
	II.	TRAINING :		
	•••	Med. & Para-Med. staff	:	2198
		Non-Health Functionaries	:	977
Uttar	L	CONSTRUCTION:		
Pradesh	-	Sub Centres	:	750
		Training Institutions	:	66
	II.	TRAINING	:	167958

Indo-Iranian Joint Commission

3522. SHRI B.L. SHANKAR: DR. KRUPASINDHU BHOI: SHRI SANAT KUMAR MANDAL :

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased

(a) the details of the meeting of the ninth session of Indi-Iranian Joint Commission held in February, 1997 in Tehran:

- (b) the issues that were discussed during the visit of our External Affairs Minister in Tehran;
- (c) whether the proposal for laying a pipeline to transport gas reserves to India was also discussed during the visit;
- (d) if so, the details thereof indicating the route of gas pipeline;
- (e) whether any agreement was signed between the representatives of two countries; and
 - (f) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI I.K. GUJRAL): (a) and (b) The Ninth Session of Indo-Iranian Joint Commission was held in Tehran on 21st and 22nd February, 1997. The Indian side was led by External Affairs Minister and the Iranian side was led by Dr. Ali Akbar Velayati, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Iran. Important issues discussed were the establishment of a Joint Venture Fertiliser Project. Pipeline Project for transportation of Natural Gas to India, proposals on Trade Agreement, Double tax Avoidance Agreement and Agreement for Promotion and Protection of Foreign Investment, Cooperation in the fields of agriculture, health and education.

- (c) Yes, Sir.
- (d) Efforts are to continue to obtain the consent of all parties for a feasibility study of the projected pipeline. Details of the possible route will be available only after the feasibility study is complete.
 - (e) and (f) No, Sir.

Promotion of Libraries

- 3523. SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :
- (a) whether the Government have a scheme for promotion of libraries in small towns and rural areas; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI S.R. BOMMAI): (a) and (b) Raja Rammohun Roy Library Foundation, an autonomous organisation fully founded by the Government of India through Department of Culture has a number of schemes to promote and support public library movement in the country. The Foundation has the following schemes for the promotion of libraries for the benefit of small towns and rural areas :

- (1) Assistance towards building up of adequate stock of books and other reading and visual
- (2) Assistance towrds development of rural book deposit centres and mobile library services.